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SUBJECT: INCREASED SOVIED PENETRATION OF AFGHANISTAN
THROUGH IRANIAN AID

REF: (A) STATE 000732,(B) KABUL 8447

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL(A) , DCM BROUGHT THE SUBSTANCE OF
REFTTEL(B) TO THE ATTENTION OF HOOSHANG BATMANGELIDJ, MFA
DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS. BATMANGELIDJ EXPRESSED
APPRECIATION FOR OUR THOUGHTS AND OUR TIMELINESS IN BRINGING
THEM TO HIS ATTENTION IN VIEW OF AFGHAN MINISTER OF PLANNING
KHORRAM'S CURRENT VISIT TO TEHRAN. HE INDICATED THAT THE
POINTS WE RAISED MAY FIGURE IN THE GOI'S CONVERSATION WITH
KHORRAM, COMMENTING THAT "I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THE AFGHANS
WOULD HAVE BEEN AS INTERESTED AS ANYONE IN MINIMIZING THE
SOVIET PRESENCE IN AFGHANISTAN." HE PROMISED TO LET US
KNOW OF ANY FURTHER OBSERVATIONS THE GOI MAY HAVE ON
THE SUBJECT AND WHAT STEPS, IF ANY, IT MAY TAKE TO LIMIT
THE ADVANTAGE THE SOVIETS MAY ACQUIRE IN AFGHANISTAN AS
A CONSEQUENCE OF IRANIAN AID.
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